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SUBJECT: DECEMBER RESULTS OF THE INDOCHINESE PAROLE PROGRAM
IN THAILAND

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1. SUMMARY: DURING DECEMBER THE NUMBER OF REFUGEE
ARRIVALS BY BOAT ONCE AGAIN SURPASSED THE NUMBER OF
DEPARTURES. 277 PERSONS, INCLUDING 202 BOAT REFUGEES,
LEFT BANGKOK FOR THE UNITED STATES UNDER IPP-77,
WHILE 11 BOATS CARRYING 312 REFUGEES ARRIVED IN
THAILAND. OF THE MANY CASES FORMERLY REPORTED AS
APPROVED FOR CE-133 WERE CONVERTED TO IPP; 281
CE-APPROVED CASES REMAIN. VOLUNTARY AGENCY PRE-
SCREENING OF THE INLAND CAMPS ENDED ON SCHEDULE
DECEMBER 18. THERE ARE OVER 9,000 REFUGEES POTENTIALLY
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QUALIFIED UNDER CATEGORIES 1 AND 11 AND SOME 22,000
UNDER CATEGORY 111, BUT WE EXPECT SUBSTANTIAL
REDUCTIONS IN ALL THREE FIGURES AS ETHNIC AFFAIRS
OFFICERS REVIEW THE FILES. OVER 1000 INS-APPROVED
BOAT CASE REFUGEES STILL ALCK SPONSORSHIP. END
SUMMARY.

2. DURING DECEMBER 277 REFUGEES LEFT THAILAND FOR THE UNITED STATES. OF THIS NUMBER, 202 HAD ARRIVED BY BOAT, AND THE REMAINDER WERE MOSTLY FROM THE ONE VIETNAMESE INLAND CAMP AT SIKHIU. SINCE THE INCEPTION OF IPP-77 THERE HAVE BEEN 889 REFUGEES, INCLUDING 780 BOAT CASES, WHO HAVE DEPARTED THAILAND. ELEVEN BOATS CARRYING 312 REFUGEES ARRIVED IN THAILAND DURING THE MONTH.

3. MANY REFUGEES ORIGINALLY APPROVED FOR THE CE PROGRAM HAVE BEEN CONVERTED TO IPP. THESE CAME MANILY FROM SONGKHLA'S "NEW" CAMP (WHICH THE RRG CLOSED DECEMBER 27). PLUS SEVEN REFUGEES FROM THE AMERICAN MAIN. THERE REMAIN 281 REFUGEES WHO HAVE RECEIVED INS APPROVAL FOR CE.

4. PRE-SCREENING OF THE INLAND CAMPS CONCLUDED ON SCHEDULE DECEMBER 18 WITH THREE TEAMS ENDING UP THEIR WORK IN THE UBON CAMP. OVER 50,000 REFUGEES FROM THAI INLAND CAMPS REGISTERED FOR IPP-77. EARLY COMPILATIONS INDICATE THAT OVER 32,000 PEOPLE ARE POTENTIALLY QUALIFIED FOR THE PROGRAM. POTENTIALLY ELIGIBLE CATEGORY 1 REFUGEES NUMBER OVER 6500; AND CATEGORY 11, OVER 2500. WE EXPECT THAT REVIEW OF THE FILES WILL SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCE THESE FIGURES, AND GREATLY CUT DOWN ON THE SOME 22,000 POTENTIALLY ELIGIBLE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CATEGORY 111 REFUGEES. IN ADDITION, PRE-SCREENERS INTERVIEWED PRINCIPAL APPLICANTS (WHOSE FAMILIES TOTALLED OVER 4500 REFUGEES) WHO ARE MARRIED SIBLINGS BUT WHO ALSO DO NOT QUALIFY FOR IPP-77 UNDER CATEGORIES 11 OR 111. THE ETHNIC BREAKDOWN BY CATEGORY FOLLOWS:

	KHMER	VIETNAMESE	LAO	HGONG	TOTAL
CAT 1	464	162	1438	4499	6563
CAT 11	9	31	1083	1444	2567
CAT 111	3204	175	8016	10814	22209
CAT 1V					
& MIXES	95	38	274	599	1006
TOTAL	3772	406	10811	17356	32345

5. WE HAVE SENT REQUESTS FOR SPONSORSHIP OF 2652 BOAT CASE REFUGEES, INCLUDING THOSE APPROVED UNDER CEP, AND RECEIVED ASSURANCES FOR 1633. 1019 REFUGEES THUS REMAIN WHO HAVE RECEIVED INS APPROVAL , BUT LACK SPONSORSHIP.

6. DEPARTMENT ACTION REQUESTED: ACCELERATION

OF VOLUNTARY AGENCY SPONSORSHIPS.
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